

Innovation for All

Commission on the Digital Economy

Guiding principles for Commission Chair selection

- Senior Executive at an ICC member company with current digital economy policy responsibilities (e.g. Chief Privacy/Security Officer, Senior VP Global Connectivity, Chief Technology Officer, etc)
- An ideal candidate would bring diversity to the existing leadership team (an uncovered or underrepresented region and an underrepresented sector) to broaden representation of the Commission. Someone able to expand perspectives to equip the Commission to better anticipate broad business policy concerns in view of digital transformation of the global economy and all that implies for global business.
- Global experience and responsibilities – and savvy in dynamics at international level between the public and private sectors in some of the relevant issues. (Emerging technologies, cybersecurity, data governance, privacy, digital trade, Internet governance)
- Global reputation – well known and respected in international policy circles
- Strong network with relevant associations and organizations, in their home country and globally
- Excellent relationship skills, especially in dealing with diverse cultures and backgrounds
- Strategic thinker and action-oriented
- Integrity in taking on responsibility of the Chair, able to forego individual, company, home country gains/benefits to advance Commission objectives
- Competency in mediating differences within issues and skilled at navigating a path for diverse views to come together, strong listening and consensus-building skills;
- Commanding public presence and capability as communicator and public speaker to act as ambassador/spokesperson for the Commission’s work, especially with non-business audiences and media
- Capacity to deal with ambiguity, to work within complexity of ICC process, yet also serve as catalyst to break through logjams
- Willingness to devote adequate time, leading Commission and working with ICC staff, including to provide leadership in development of Commission work programme and agendas as well as helping reach consensus on work projects
- Ability and willingness to travel